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**Request
for
Continued Examination (RCE)
Transmittal**

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

a. Previously submitted, if a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

1. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

2. Other _____

b. Enclosed

i. Amendment/Reply
ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)iv. Other _____
Fax Cover Sheet (1 pg)
Copy of Amendments After Final
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2. **Miscellaneous**

Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(d) for a

a. period of _____ months. (Period of suspension area not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) required)

b. Other _____

3. **Fees**

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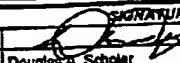
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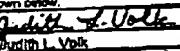
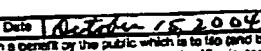
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5. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 apply. Complete (a) or (b) as applicable.

(a) Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 for the total number of months checked below:

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Extension fee due with this request: \$ 980.00

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An extension for _____ months has already been secured and the fee paid thereof of \$_____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested. Extension fee due with this request \$_____.

OR

(b) Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

6. If any additional fee for claims or extension of time is required, charge Account No. 23-3000.

Respectfully submitted,

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 Fax Cover Sheet containing Certificate of Facsimile Transmission (1 page)
 Transmittal containing Certificate of Facsimile Transmission and Request for a Three-Month Extension of Time (2 pages)
 Request for Continued Examination (RFE) (1 page)
 Copy of Amendment After Final Filed on 8/26/2004 (17 pages)

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